

PAVING MISSIONARY RIDGE CREST ROAD AND CREST
AND GAP ROAD, GEORGIA

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

A SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION FOR THE WAR
DEPARTMENT, FOR PAVING MISSIONARY RIDGE CREST ROAD
AND CREST AND GAP ROAD, GEORGIA, AMOUNTING TO \$18,885

FEBRUARY 17 (calendar day, February 19), 1931.—Read; referred to the
Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed

THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, February 19, 1931.

The PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of Congress a supplemental estimate of appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931, to remain available until June 30, 1932, for the War Department, for paving Missionary Ridge Crest Road and Crest and Gap Road, amounting to \$18,885.

The details of this estimate, the necessity therefor, and the reasons for its transmission at this time are set forth in the letter of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget transmitted herewith, with whose comments and observations thereon I concur.

Respectfully,

HERBERT HOOVER.

BUREAU OF THE BUDGET,
Washington, February 19, 1931.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration a supplemental estimate of appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931, to remain available until June 30, 1932, for the War

Department, for paving Missionary Ridge Crest Road and Crest and Gap Road, as follows:

Paving Missionary Ridge Crest Road and Crest and Gap Road: For improving and paving the Government roads known as the Missionary Ridge Crest Road and the Crest and Gap Road in the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park, from the Lafayette Road, in the State of Georgia, to the Tennessee-Georgia State line, a distance of approximately 1.1 miles, \$18,885, fiscal year 1931, to remain available until June 30, 1932: *Provided*, That no part of the appropriation herein made shall be available until the State of Georgia or any county or municipality or local subdivision thereof, or any highway commission or equivalent public authority of the same shall contribute at least an equal amount for the same purpose, such equal amount to be expended by the Secretary of War concurrently with the appropriation herein made (acts August 19, 1890, vol. 26, p. 33; May 28, 1930, vol. 46, p. 459).

Supplemental estimate 1931, \$18,885.

Under the general authority contained in the act of August 19, 1890 (26 Stat. 33), for the establishment and maintenance of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park, Tenn. and Ga., it is proposed to improve and pave the above-described Government roads at a total estimated cost of \$37,770, one-half to be provided by Federal appropriation and one-half by local interests.

While under existing law these roads are parts of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park, they also serve the purpose of approach roads to said park and, together with the Government-owned Lafayette Road, between said park and the town of Rossville, Ga., form links in the highway system of the State of Georgia. Local contribution to the cost of their improvement and paving in a manner required to meet the demands of their use as parts of a commercial highway, which greatly exceed those for their use for strictly park purposes, is therefore deemed just and equitable. This arrangement is understood to be satisfactory to the local interests concerned. The roads in question are reported by the Secretary of War to be greatly in need of the improvement and paving contemplated.

It is the purpose of the Secretary of War to recommend the enactment of legislation withdrawing the two above-mentioned roads as parts of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park and designating them as approach roads, which they are in fact, and, after their improvement and paving, to deed them to local interests under the provisions of the act of March 3, 1925 (43 Stat. 1104). This is understood to be agreeable to such local interests.

The above supplemental estimate of appropriation is to provide for a contingency which has arisen since the transmission of the Budget for the fiscal years 1931 and 1932. I recommend that it be transmitted to Congress.

Very respectfully,

J. CLAWSON ROOP,
Director of the Bureau of the Budget.

The PRESIDENT.

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